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SUBJ: BOTSWANA BREAKS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH IFRAEL

1. OFFICIAL IN GOB EXTERNAL AFFAIRS UNIT INFORMED EMBASSY THAT GOB WILL SHORTLY ANNOUNCE IT HAS BROKEN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. HE ADDED THAT DECISION TAKEN SOME TIME AGO BUT GOB WISHED TO DELAY ANNOUNCEMENT UNTIL ISRAELI CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, RESIDENT IN MBABANE, CAME TO GABORONE

TO RECEIVE NEWS IN PERSON. ISRAELI CHARGE WAS INFORMED OF DECISION ON 12 NOV.

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2. GOB OFFICIAL STRESSED THAT TIMING OF ANNOUNCEMENT HAS
NOTHING TO DO WITH "SUMMIT" MEETING OF 12 NOVEMBER IN
GABORONE BETWEEN PRESIDENT KHAMA OF BOTSWANA, PRIME MINISTER
JONATHAN OF LESOTHO AND PRIME MINISTER DLAMINI OF
SWAZILAND. TIME FOR MEETING BETWEEN THE THREE LEADERS
WAS AGREED TO WHEN KHAMA VISITED LESOTHO IN EARLY
OCTOBER, AND ANNOUNCEMENT ON CURTAILMENT BOTSWANA-ISRAEL
RELATIONS BASED ON VISIT ISRAELI CHARGE TO GABORONE.
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